

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA
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STATUS OF NAVYA PILOT AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES IN ODISHA

1238 SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of adolescent girls who have completed training and started income-generating activities under the Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls (NAVYA) pilot;
- (b) the criteria adopted for selection of 27 pilot districts and whether Odisha has been included or is under consideration for inclusion, in the pilot; and
- (c) the number of Industrial Training Institutes upgraded and the number of youth trained and placed under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana in Odisha during 2025-26, along with the timeline for expansion of the NAVYA pilot to other districts?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c) Under the Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls (NAVYA) programme, a total of 1,060 adolescent girls have successfully completed training as on 30 June 2026. The training was imparted under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 4.0 (PMKVY 4.0) across 27 aspirational districts during the pilot phase programme.

The pilot districts were selected based on two criteria: (i) Implementation of the scheme for adolescent girls under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 for girls in the 16-18 years age group, and (ii) availability of adequate training infrastructure on the ground. In Odisha, the districts of Dhenkanal and Rayagada, were included in the pilot.

The Government has decided to expand the NAVYA programme to 100 aspirational districts across the country with effect from 27 May 2026.

During the Financial Year 2025-26, a total of 2,189 candidates were trained under PMKVY 4.0 in Odisha. Under PMKVY, placements were tracked in the Short-Term Training (STT) component in the first three versions of the Scheme which is PMKVY 1.0, PMKVY 2.0 and PMKVY 3.0 implemented from FY 2015-16 to FY 2021-22. Under PMKVY 4.0 which is under implementation since FY 2022-23, the focus is to empower trained candidates to choose their varied career path and they are suitably oriented for the same through On-Job Training (OJT) embedded industry relevant skill courses. No Industrial Training Institute has been upgraded in Odisha by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship during 2025-26.
